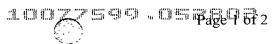
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

- 1. Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pages)
- 2. Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages)
- 3. Recordation Cover Sheet (1 page)
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- 5. Formal Drawings (10 pages)

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